

with. We will miss his extraordinary talents, his dedication to service, his warmth, and his ready wit!

Bob's commitment to the community has also played an important part in his personal life. Not only has he been very involved assisting the needy through programs at his church, but he recently also used vacation time to set up a medical clinic in El Salvador with his wife Debbie, who is a registered nurse practitioner.

Bob and Debbie will be returning to Minnesota soon and plan to spend more time with each other and with their two grown daughters. But I know that Bob's commitment to helping others will continue to keep him active in his community. Bob, my staff and I wish you well as you take on new challenges. God's blessings to you always, and once again, thank you.

HONORING CHANCELLOR DAVID WARD

HON. TAMMY BALDWIN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 4, 2000

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Chancellor David Ward of the University of Wisconsin-Madison for his dedicated service to the students and faculty of this prestigious institution.

Originally from England, Chancellor Ward earned a Fulbright award to study in the United States in 1960 and received a doctorate from UW-Madison in 1963. His faculty career at the University spans more than thirty years, including serving as chair of the geography department from 1974 to 1977 and associate dean of the Graduate School from 1980 to 1987. David Ward was vice chancellor for academic affairs from 1989 to 1991, and served as provost, chief deputy to the chancellor, from 1991 to 1993. He became interim chancellor in January 1993, and was named chancellor in June 1993.

Recognized as an authority in historical urban geography, David Ward holds the Andrew Hill Clark Professorship of Geography, to which he will return after his sabbatical during 2001. He is a past president of the Association of American Geographers and initiated research on the rapid growth of English and American cities in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

As the University's chief executive, David Ward has greatly improved the quality of undergraduate education. He has increased opportunities for undergraduate research, enhanced student advising, and expanded access to courses. He funded the Undergraduate Research Scholars (URS) Program as part of his on-going effort to strengthen campus programs that offer academic enrichment for all students, especially those from underrepresented populations.

Under his leadership, UW-Madison issued "A Vision for the Future: Priorities for UW-Madison in the Next Decade." This document outlined the University's mission, vision and priorities, and provided a foundation for some of the most comprehensive initiatives in the history of the campus. Through his work, Chancellor Ward has also strengthened the Wisconsin Idea, which has long promoted a collaborative and integrated relationship be-

tween the University and the state. As a land grant institution, public service is a natural part of the University's existence. Hands-on work by students outside of the classroom as a means for gaining knowledge and for enhancing Wisconsin's communities has been encouraged by Chancellor Ward during his tenure. This encouragement has empowered students to gain knowledge in ways that are not possible in a classroom or a laboratory.

I am grateful for Chancellor Ward's commitment to undergraduate education and for his contributions to the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

HONORING MS. PAULA ROURKE

HON. JAMES P. McGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 4, 2000

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a moment to recognize Ms. Paula Rourke of Shrewsbury, Massachusetts. Although Ms. Rourke passed away in 1999, her Spirit lives on in the community. She was recently honored by the Shrewsbury Fall Festival as a citizen who exemplified their motto by being "a True Spirit of Shrewsbury." Because of her community involvement, service, and dedication to others, Ms. Rourke is deserving of gratitude and acclaim.

Born and raised in Shrewsbury, Ms. Rourke was the oldest of seven children and a graduate of Quinsigamond Community College. Throughout the years, Ms. Rourke worked tirelessly with children and adults of special needs, coaching for the Special Olympics, mentoring and teaching valuable life skills. She was named Coach of the Year twice, and in 1998, she was inducted into the Hall of Fame of the Massachusetts Special Olympics. She also worked for over 25 years with the Shrewsbury Parks and Recreation Department and was described as the "heart and soul" of their summer program, accompanying the children on every field trip from Fenway Park to Nantasket Beach.

Paula Rourke loved Shrewsbury, and Shrewsbury loved her. She found delight in everything she did from the Shrewsbury Fourth of July Celebration to her fundraisers for special needs at the Knights of Columbus. She always gave unceasingly to her community. In recognition of Ms. Rourke I would not only to call her "a True Spirit of Shrewsbury" but "a True Spirit of the America."

EPSILON CHAPTER OF DELTA KAPPA GAMMA RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 4, 2000

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor an exceptional group of women in my community, the members of the Epsilon Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society.

Established on May 11, 1929, in Austin, TX, the Delta Kappa Gamma Society is an international honorary society of over 150,000 key women educators residing throughout the

United States and Europe. In South Florida, the Epsilon Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society began in 1938, when women banded together in sisterhood to uphold the role of women teachers. I am proud to say that the organization is today thriving in South Florida, and I congratulate Marian Krutulis for her tireless devotion and hard work while serving as president from 1996-98.

This sisterhood of devoted women educators and philanthropists has truly been a great asset to many in my community. The women of the Epsilon Chapter have achieved this role by striving to advance the professional interest and position of women in education, and by honoring South Florida's women who have evidenced distinctive service in any field of education. The Epsilon Chapter has also provided the same shining guidance to our community's schools where these women have committed themselves to the support and initiation of desirable legislation. Furthermore, through the endowment of scholarship aid to outstanding women educators pursuing graduate work, they are taking positive steps to invest in our community's future, educational excellence.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my fellow colleagues join me in applauding these outstanding women who have devoted themselves wholeheartedly. Their cause is noble and their dedication has brightened the future of many women and students in our community.

TRIBUTE TO WARREN-CENTER LINE-STERLING HEIGHTS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INDUCTEES

HON. SANDER M. LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 4, 2000

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I wish to recognize three community leaders as they are honored by the Warren-Center Line-Sterling Heights Chamber of Commerce. The first annual inductees into the Macomb Foundation's Hall of Fame are three individuals who have made outstanding contributions to improving the economic and community life of Macomb County: Tarik Daoud, owner of Al Long Ford in Warren; Gerald Elson, on behalf of General Motors Corp., and Mark Steenbergh, mayor of the city of Warren.

Mr. Tarik Daoud, owner of Al Long Ford in Warren, is honored for his long-standing commitment to the community. He is an active member of the local Chamber of Commerce and serves on the board of directors. Mr. Daoud is involved with the Lion's Club, has supported local high school sports programs and has served on the planning board of the Warren YMCA.

Mr. Gerald Elson, currently the vice president of General Motors and general manager of operations for the North American Car Group, and General Motors Corp., are being recognized and honored for their commitment to investing in the economic fabric of the city of Warren. The recent \$1.2 billion investment in the Warren Tech Center will make it a premier international facility and help to solidify Warren's long-term economic vibrance.

And, finally, the Chamber recognizes a dedicated public servant, an individual committed to serving the residents of the city in which he